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PLANT IS A PROPHET.

Predicts Great Things for Florida.

H. B. Plant, president of the Plant System, in an interview with an Atlanta Constitution reporter, says:

"The truth is, the orange groves of central Florida, which were well taken care of, have suffered but little from the cold wave. The frost that killed many of the orange trees a year ago was the first disastrous frost we have had in that region of the state for thirty-two years. There will probably not be another frost for many years to come.

"But with all this there will be a fair crop of oranges grown in Florida this year. Of course, the yield will not be shown on the market as abundantly as it has been for a number of years past, and, of course, the scarcity of oranges in the market will make the price go up to some degree, but at the same time there will not be such a loss to the public as will be naturally anticipated after all the scare-crow stories that have been published in the newspapers of the northern market centers.

"There is one pleasing observation to make concerning the disaster which befell the farmers of Florida last year, and that is, that the cold wave which killed their orange crop and groves has taught them the lesson of diversified crops, and they are now busy with the truck farms, growing such things as tomatoes, cabbage, beans, and many such things, which find a ready market in the eastern and northwestern cities long before there is the slightest evidence of verdure in the rural districts of those sections.

"I believe that this cold wave will prove a blessing in disguise to many of the farmers of Florida. Perhaps they may never have such a killing frost again, but at the same time they are making money on other crops and are not dependent on the orange groves and sunshine entirely."

Henry C. Stevens, the popular young jeweler at Burnett's, is the faithful and efficient president of the Loyal Temperance Legion, and presided with great ease and dignity over the entertainment in the Witness hall the other night. It is gratifying to find a young man these days actively enlisted in the temperance cause.

Notice.—We have moved our business to the Thompson block, opposite Liddon's livery stable, and next door to J. A. Pittman and Co's.

E. T. Townsend, who has been hunting and fishing in the Crystal River region for the last two months, is in the city again, shaking hands with his numerous friends.

All patrons of the Ocala Steam Laundry are invited to visit on Wednesday and Thursday afternoons and see how laundry work is done.

CHANGED HANDS.

Charles Constans, the wide awake fruit dealer, has purchased the stand of William Gray on Exposition street, and will continue to run both stands on a larger and more improved scale. The Gray stand, under the management of its former popular owner, had a heavy trade, and we bespeak for Mr. Constans a continuance of the good will and patronage of the people of Ocala. Mr. Constans, since his arrival in our city, has made a deserved success of his business.

Robert Taylor, freight agent at the Florida Southern freight depot, with his pleasant ways and strict attention to business, makes it a pleasure to transact business with him. Mr. Taylor is becoming very popular in our city, and has already gathered many friends around him.

The Ocala Steam Laundry will be glad to have all of its patrons call and see the way goods are handled and be convinced that the best of care is taken of goods.

Mr. Brown of this office was made a present of a handsome basket work calendar by his little nephew, Edward Francis Urie, three and one half years old, made entirely by the little fellow, who learned the art at the Kindergarten school.

\$16,500.37 paid to 44 members by the National Protective Legion on Oct. 16, 1895. Their coupons having matured for the first five years period, They Won While Living.

Capt. J. D. Pooser returned from Atlanta yesterday evening, and last night was taken severely ill, two doctors being in attendance. The cause was attributed to the operation performed on his eyes and the fatigue of the trip.

You have had a merry Christmas. Rowell's comfortable Shoes will help you to spend a happy new year.

Mrs. R. R. Carroll is in St. Petersburg, at the bedside of her sister, Miss Nona Yonce, and will probably be absent a month. Since our report of improvement Miss Yonce was taken worse, and the doctors reported her case very dangerous.

Portraits in all styles, and photographs from the card cameo to life size, at Gottlieb's. Studio opposite Montezuma Hotel.

The Woman's Parsonage and Home Mission Society will meet in the lecture room of the Methodist church tomorrow at 3 p.m. All the members are requested to be present.

The ladies of the Baptist church invite the people of Ocala to take supper at the store next to Rowell's tomorrow at 5 p.m. Quail on toast, oysters in all styles, etc.

FOR SALE.—One half Spitz and Shepherd dog 3 years old and is very watchful and fond of children. Also one Pug which is trained to do many tricks. I will sell both cheap. Address "G" care STAR, Ocala, Fla.

STATE SUNDAY SCHOOLS

A meeting of the executive committee of the Florida State Sunday School Association was held at Tavares yesterday evening. There were present Rev. Wm. Shaw, of Temple Mills, H. C. Groves, of Ocala, Rev. H. Kirgwin of Orlando, W. H. Longstreet of Mount Dora, and J. C. Crompton of Tavares.

The next annual convention of the association will be held in Ocala, the latter part of March, the exact date fixed later.

The following gentlemen were placed on program and asked to deliver lectures and open discussions: Rev. Elwang of Orlando, Prof. B. F. Marsh of Eustis, Rev. C. P. Williamson of Atlanta, Ga., Rufus Russell of Jacksonville, Rev. J. C. Sole of Gainesville, Rev. L. L. Rader of Jacksonville, Rev. E. P. Herrick of Tampa, F. W. Lyman of Winter Park, Rev. C. H. Nash of Bartow, C. A. Carson of Kissimmee, and Miss Lillian Post of Gainesville.

H. C. Groves, Rev. J. P. Hilburn and J. N. Crumpton were appointed a program committee to select subjects to be discussed by the above and also complete detail of program.

The home class department of the work was referred to F. E. Nettleton of Lake Helen.

H. C. Groves was appointed press correspondent for the convention. Rev. J. P. Hilburn was appointed chairman of the local committee on entertainment at Ocala.

It was agreed that a series of Bible institutes will be provided for all counties in the state which have a Sunday school organization. Rev. C. P. Williamson of Atlanta, and Prof. J. B. Crippen of DeLand, were selected as instructors. These institutes will be held in connection with the regular county convention of the Sunday schools during January, February and March.

All further definite arrangements for these county institutes were left to Rev. Wm. Shaw.

Tavares, Dec. 27.

When you go home at night, tired, rest your weary feet in a pair of House Slippers from Rowell's, and you'll find home life more pleasant.

Terrible floods are being experienced in the west. Whole towns and large sections of railroad are being submerged.

For Rent.—A ten-room house. Hot and cold bath, two blocks from square. Apply to H. G. Haycraft at city ticket office of Plant System.

The board of trade will probably tender Mr. Plant a reception and banquet at the Ocala house some time in January.

Richardson's stable will furnish you the nicest rigs in the city at living prices. Call on him. Main street, north of square.

J. T. Lang of Cartersville, Ga., arrived in the city with his family Saturday night and will make his home here.

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